--- "Series of 1881" - TABAC CANADIEN / EN TORQUETTE – Division Open - 240 x 20 mm ---

--- Tabac Canadien Seulement 1/5 lb. on the 2 pound Division Open TABAC CANADIEN / EN TORQUETTE ---

--- Lithographed in green ink on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove ---

--- Inscribed NE DOIT PAS COUVRIR PLUS / **de 2 lb. plus** *G. La Rue / Percepteur* **---**

--- RP-430a - *perforated 12* - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

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The Lee Brandom catalogue lists the 1/5th pound overprint on 2 pound, Division Open, TABAC CANADIEN strip as follows:

RP-430a - **Tabac Canadien Seulement 1/5 lb.** overprint on 2 pounds, green, perforated 12, Division Open, Lithographed on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue controls

The Lee Brandom catalogue description seems to be in error when listing the strip as *block watermarked*. Lee has previously listed the strip as *unwatermarked*.

There was no 1/5th pound Division Open strip in the 1880-81 "Tabac Canadien / en Torquette" series. The **1/5 lb.** overprint was made on the two pound Division Open strip **P-239** in the period between July 1st 1883, when the two pound strip became obsolete, and the start of the 4th BABN Contract on October 22nd 1886 - note the stamped date of November 1884. Would it have been recorded as 'Delivered' by John McKay as "1/5th pound Green Tobacco" under the **3rd BABN Contract**?

RP-430a - overprinted **Tabac Canadien Seulement 1/5 lb.** on 2 pounds, perf 12, Division Open, control **078563**, Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - stamped **2.14 9 '84** in November 1884

078563★ 11/84 **RP-430a** / RT-9a **Tabac Canadien Seulement 1/5 lb.** on 2 pounds Division Open, perforated 12 - stamped **2.14 9 '84**

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